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In re Application of: Xu *et al.*

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For: Methods For Producing Potato Products

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This communication is in response to the Advisory Action dated December 9, 2004. Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 25, 35, and 39-43 are pending in the present application.

It is respectfully submitted that the present amendment presents no new issues or new matter and places this case in ~~condition~~ condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is requested.

I. The Rejection of Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10-14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 25, 35, and 39-43 under 35 U.S.C. § 103

Claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 25, 35, and 39-43 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamashita (U.S. Patent No. 5,312,631) in view of Fan *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 4,503,127). This rejection is respectfully traversed for the reasons of record.

Claims 12 and 13 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Yamashita (U.S. Patent No. 5,312,631) in view of Fan *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 4,503,127), as applied to claims 1, 2, 4-8, 10, 11, 14, 16, 17, 20, 22, 24, 25, 35, and 39-43 above, and further in view of Judkins *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,033,697), Rogols *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,897,898), or Stevens *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,965,189). This rejection is respectfully traversed for the reasons of record.